



Rear Admiral Timothy S. Sullivan

Commander,
First Coast Guard District



Rear Admiral Sullivan assumed the duty of Commander, First Coast Guard District and Commander, Maritime Defense Command One in July 2006. He oversees all Coast Guard missions across eight states in the Northeast and 2000 miles of coastline from the US-Canada border to northern New Jersey.

Rear Admiral Sullivan previously served as the Senior Military Advisor to the Secretary of Homeland Security where he was the primary coordinator between the Departments of Defense and Homeland Security. He was also the team leader for the Department's Second Stage Review, which was the reorganization of DHS, as well as operational advisor to the Secretary during Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Prior to becoming a flag officer, Rear Admiral Sullivan served as Pacific Area, Eleventh Coast Guard District Chief of Staff, for a geographical area encompassing over 73 million square miles. He served as Commanding Officer, Group San Francisco during the 9/11

national crisis and the shift to Homeland Security in the days and months thereafter. His shipboard commands include the Coast Guard Cutter MALLOW in Honolulu, the first of its class, and the Coast Guard Cutter JUNIPER for which he was the "Plank Owner" Commanding Officer, homeported in Newport, RI. He commanded the Coast Guard LORAN station on the island of Saipan in the Western Pacific and served as the first Commanding Officer of the Eastern Regional Recruiting Command in Norfolk.

Other afloat tours include Deck Watch Officer aboard the Coast Guard Cutters MESQUITE and ACACIA in Sturgeon Bay, WI, and Executive Officer aboard the Coast Guard Cutter PAPA in Charleston, SC. Staff assignments include Eighth District Public Affairs Officer, Coast Guard Headquarters Chief of Media Relations, Press Assistant to the Commandant and Ninth District Chief of Aids to Navigation and Waterways Branch.

A native of Milwaukee, Rear Admiral Sullivan graduated from the Coast Guard Academy in 1975 and earned a Masters Degree in Communication Arts / Public Affairs from Cornell University. He is also a graduate of Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government Senior Executive National and International Security Program.

He has been awarded the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal (5), the Coast Guard Commendation Medal (3), the 9-11 Medal and the Coast Guard Achievement Medal. He is also authorized to wear the Cutterman's Insignia.

He is married to the former Teresa McCluskey, a writer, and mother of their four children, Maureen, Conor, Rory and Patrick.